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THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE  1. Amendments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not includ  B. New paragraph(s) should not be und  C. Other	e markings.	BE NON-COMPLIANT:
2. Abstract: A. Not presented on a separate sheet.	37 CFR 1.72.	
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4. Amendments to the claims:  A. A complete listing of all of the claims  B. The listing of claims does not include  C. Each claim has not been provided w of each claim cannot be identified. In number by using one of the following (Previously presented), (New), (Not  The claims of this amendment paper  E. Other:  5. The amendment is unsigned or not signed	e the text of all pending claims (inclith the proper status identifier, and Note: the status of every claim must status identifiers; (Original), (Currentered), (Withdrawn) and (Withdrawn) that is the per is th	as such, the individual status st be indicated after its claim ently amended), (Canceled), awn-currently amended).
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